

BRIDGE ACROSS THE ALABAMA RIVER NEAR MONTGOMERY, ALA.

MAY 25, 1898.—Referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed.

Mr. DAVIS, from the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce, submitted the following

REPORT.

[To accompany S. 3871.]

The Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce, to whom was referred the bill (S. 3871) to authorize the Montgomery-Elmore Bridge Company to construct and maintain a bridge across the Alabama River near the city of Montgomery, Ala., respectfully report that the same has had careful consideration and is recommended favorably to the House for passage.

The report of Brigadier-General John M. Wilson, Chief of Engineers, United States Army, is hereto attached and made a part of this report.

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF OF ENGINEERS, UNITED STATES ARMY,
Washington, March 14, 1898.

SIR: I have the honor to acknowledge the reference to this office of a letter, dated the 23d ultimo, from the Senate Committee on Commerce, inclosing, for the views of the War Department thereon, S. 3871, Fifty-fifth Congress, second session, "to authorize the Montgomery-Elmore Bridge and Improvement Company to construct and maintain a bridge across the Alabama River near the city of Montgomery, Alabama," and, in returning the same, I beg to recommend certain amendments to the bill, which are indicated on a copy thereof herewith.

As thus amended I know of no objection to the passage of the bill by Congress, so far as the interests of navigation are concerned.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,

JOHN M. WILSON,
Brig. Gen., Chief of Engineers, U. S. Army.

Hon. R. A. ALGER,
Secretary of War.

